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1. THE NIV WORKLOAD IN FY 1974 REPRESENTS AN INCREASE OF APPROXIMATELY 6* OVER FY 1973. THIS IS A CONSIDERABLE DROP-OFF FROM THE INCREASE REGISTERED IN FY 1973 AND IS DUE IN LARGE PART TO INCREASED AIR FARES AND OTHER DIRINCENTIVES TO WOULD-BE TRAVELERS ASSOCIATED WITH THE EXTRAORDINARY INCREASES IN PETROLEUM PRICES. WHILE THE NIV WORKLOAD CONTINUES TO BE A DEMANDING ONE AT THIS POST, THE PROJECTION IS FOR VERY MODERATE INCREASES FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS. THIS ALMOST STRAIGHT-LINE PROJECTION TAKES INTO ACCOUNT SPAIN S DETERIORATING BALANCE OF PAYMENTS SITUATION AND ITS LIKELY EFFECTS ON THE ECONOMY IN GENERAL AND TRAVEL ABROAD IN PARTICULAR.

2. DEATHS AND ESTATES CASES DECREASED SOMEWHAT FROM FY 1973. THIS POST DOES NOT CONSIDER THE DECREASES TO BE STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT. THE PROJECTION FOR THE NEXT TWO FISCAL YEARS IS FOR A MODERATE INCREASE IN SUCH CASES. WITH THE CONTINUING HIGH INFLATION IN SPAIN AND THE SPIRALING PRICES IN THIS CONSULAR DISTRICT THE INFLUX OF U.S. RESIDENTS IS LIKELY TO DECLINE DURING THE NEXT TWO FISCAL YEARS.
ZQNV PASSPORTS ISSUED DURING FY 1974 WERE DOWN FROM 916 IN FY 1973 TO 881. THE PROJECTION FOR THE NEXT TWO FISCAL YEARS IS BASED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE CONDITIONS MENTIONED IN 1 AND 2 ABOVE WILL OBTAIN IN FISCAL YEARS 1975 AND 1976.

4. ESTATES AND PROPERTY CLAIMS.- THE NUMBER OF CASES INCREASED FROM 29 IN FY 1974 TO 57 IN FY 1974 BECAUSE ONLY ESTATE CASES WERE COUNTED IN FY 1973. ONLY 17 CASES THIS YEAR WERE ESTATE CASES
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SO THERE WAS A 40* DECREASE IN ESTATE CASES.

5. NOTARIAL SERVICES.- NOTARIAL SERVICES, WHICH CLIMBED DURING THE LATTER PART OF 1972 DUE TO THE U.S. PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, RETURNED TO A NORMAL LEVEL IN FY 1974. THIS YEAR S TOTAL WAS SOMEWHAT HIGHER THAN PROJECTED IN LAST YEAR S REPORT BECAUSE OF THE INCLUSION OF SERVICES PERFORMED BY THE CONSULAR AGENCIES IN PALMA DE MALLORCA AND IBIZA.

6. WELFARE AND WHEREABOUTS- THERE WAS A SHARP INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CASES DUE TO THE INCLUSION IN THIS CATEGORY OF REPORTS OF LOSS OR THEFT WHICH WERE NOT INCLUDED IN THE REPORT FOR FY 1973. WHEREABOUTS SERVICES PERFORMED BY THE CONSULAR AGENCIES WERE INCLUDED IN THIS YEAR S TOTAL (BUT NOT IN LAST YEAR S) WHICH ADDED 132 CASES.

7. ARRESTS.- THE NUMBER OF CASES REPORTED INCREASED SHARPLY OVER FY 1973, BUT THE NUMBER OF AMERICANS DETAINED BY POLICE WAS ABOUT THE SAME AS PREVIOUSLY. MOST OF THE ARRESTS WERE FOR DRUGS. PREVIOUSLY, POLICE DID NOT HOLD SMALL OFFENDERS FOR HEARINGS SO THEY WERE NEVER FORMALLY ARRESTED. POLICE NOW SEND NEARLY ALL OFFENDERS TO COURT SO THEY ARE FORMALLY CHARGED, BUT SMALL OFFENDERS ARE OFTEN RELEASED ON BAIL AFTER A SHORT PERIOD OF CONFINEMENT. THERE WERE ONLY 2 AMERICANS IN JAIL ON JUNE 30.

8. SHIPPING AND SEAMEN.- THE INCREASE IN SERVICES IS NOT AS GREAT AS STATISTICS WOULD APPEAR TO INDICATE (FROM 49 TO 85 CASES) AS LAST YEAR S FIGURES DID NOT INCLUDE CERTIFICATES OF AMERICAN OWNERSHIP NOR WERE EACH OF THE PERSONS LISTED IN SEAMEN ACTION CERTIFICATES COUNTED INDIVIDUALLY AS SPECIFIED IN 7 FAM 084.2-2.

WITH REGARD TO THE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS INCLUDED UNDER SCHEDULE V, THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS ARE OFFERED:

1. NONE OF THE VISA APPLICANTS INTERVIEWED AT THIS POST REQUIRE THE USE OF AN INTERPRETER. THE CONSULAR OFFICERS AND LOCAL STAFF ARE COMPETENT TO CONDUCT INTERVIEWS IN SPANISH AND IN MOST OF THE MAJOR EUROPEAN LANGUAGES.

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2. APPROXIMATELY 80* OF NIV APPLICANTS AT THIS POST ARE INTERVIEWED BY A MEMBER OF THE CONSULAR STAFF, USUALLY A LOCAL EMPLOYEE.

3. THE NUMBER OF CASES OF ADJUSTMENT-OF-STATUS IN THE U.S. BY PERSONS ISSUED NIV S BY THIS POST DURING FY 1974 WAS

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SOMEWHERE BETWEEN 25 AND 40. THE ACTUAL FIGURE FROM JANUARY THROUGH JUNE OF 1974 WAS 24. WE DO NOT HAVE EXACT FUGURES FOR THE PREVIOUS SIX MONTHS.

4. THE CURRENT YEARLY TOTAL OF CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE (SOME 40 TO 50 LETTERS OR TELEGRAMS A YEAR) IS NOT SIGNIFICANT IN TERMS OF MAN-HOURS.

5. THE NUMBER OF OVERTIME HOURS PAID AND UNPAID IN PERFORMANCE OF CONSULAR WORK:

	AMERICANS	COST	LOCALS	COST
OVERTIME HOURS PAID	33	318.45	17	204.00
OVERTIME HOURS UNPAID	9	-	4	-

SCHEDULE VI - CONSULAR STAFFING

FULL-TIME PERMANENT POSITIONS:

VISAS: LOCALS 2
SCS: LOCALS 3
CIT/PPT/SER: LOCALS 1
GEN CONS: AMERICANS 2
TOTAL: LOCALS 6 AMERICANS 2
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